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SUBJECT: GATT NOTIFICATION ON BRAZILIAN IMPORT RESTRICTIONS

REF: A) GENEVA 3845, B) STATE 106345, C) BRASILIA 1101

1. WE RAISED AGAIN WITH BRAZILIAN MISSION QUESTION OF NOTIFICATION OF IMPORT RESTRICTIONS ON X-RAY FILM (REF A AND PREVIOUS). BRAZILIAN MISSION HAS BEEN INFORMED BY FOREIGN MINISTRY THAT CACEX IMPOSITION OF QUOTA ON X-RAY FILM TAKEN AS SAFEGUARD ACTION UNDER SAFEGUARD PROVISIONS OF LAFTA TREATY.MFA STILL QUERYING CACEX FOR FURTHER DETAILS, BUT BRAZILIAN MISSION SUSPECTS THAT REASON NOTIFICATION HAS NOT BEEN FORTHCOMING IS BECAUSE BRASILIA SEES NO REASON TO NOTIFY GATT OF A LAFTA ACTION.

2. COMMENT: WE QUESTION VALIDITY OF CONTENTION THAT MEASURE DOES NOT NEED TO BE NOTIFIED ESPECIALLY WHEN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REFTEL C REPORTS THAT THERE IS A GLOBAL BUT NO LAFTA QUOTA. HOWEVER, WE HAVE REFRAINED FROM PRESSING POINT WITH BRAZILIAN MISSION GIVEN THAT THEY ARE EXPECTING FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.

WE ALSO RECOMMEND AGAINST RAISING MATTER AT NEXT GATT COUNCIL UNTIL WE KNOW MORE ABOUT MEASURE. VANDEN HEUVEL

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